

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Linde et al.

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For: PRODUCTION OF STRUCTURED HARD CHROME LAYERS

PETITION FOR REMOVAL OF SUSPENSION

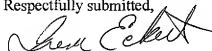
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This Petition is made to request withdrawal of the suspension that was filed inadvertently on December 1, 2008, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.103(c). Applicants through their attorney filed a Request for Continued Examination in which the suspension of action box was inadvertently checked on the Request for Continued Examination Transmittal form. The suspension of action box was checked in error. Applicants' attorney noticed such error (notation that prosecution was in suspension) on December 7, 2008, in viewing the application in private PAIR. Applicants request that the suspension be withdrawn and the Preliminary Amendment which was filed therewith be considered. Further, Applicants request that any loss in patent term adjustment accumulated (if any) under 37 CFR 1.703, be reinstated, especially as it is our understanding that the suspension had not been noted yet in the Technology Center.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any petition fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 for any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,



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